

Present:

Bud Driver, Betty Hollingsworth, Henrietta Kocot, John Nove (chair), Ken Schoen, Jane Trigere.

Guests: Mary Andrianopoulos

The meeting was called to order at 5:37 by John.

Minutes: Minutes of Sept. 15, 2014 were tabled until next month; Betty motioned and Henrietta seconded; approved unanimously.

Keeper of the Books

No spending as yet

OLD BUSINESS:

Clerk in place?

Jane is temporarily continuing.

Old Grammar School

Greg Farmer will meet with the Selectmen in late October or early November. The DHC will be present. Kayce Warren, Town Manager will follow up to make this all happen.

Sugarloaf St Cemetery Fence

Bud will take over the Sugarloaf St. Cemetery Fence Project and get the files from Jane.

Display Cabinet in Town Hall for Native American artifacts

Henrietta and John will meet to review plan with Tom Sharp (Deerfield Academy). When the final drawings are approved they will be taken to Kayce and the Selectmen.

Ralph Healey for DEDIC said they will sign off responsibility of the paleo-artifacts after they are moved here. He is photographing each item. Other properties owners are thinking of doing the same. Discussion re responsibility of storing this material. Mary suggested that the images be available on our web site.

Inventory Project (Final quarterly report)

Ken spoke to Shirley. There is no final report. Betty will follow up.

Posting past minutes to Town's website update

We are waiting for Betty to compile Feb-June Minutes so the clerk can send them to be posted.

Town website's "History of Deerfield"

John continues to edit the Town History included in the recently FRCOG-produced Rte. 116 Scenic Byway Master plan for posting on the Town's website. Bud and Shirley have contributed. Anyone else?

NEW BUSINESS

MHC Survey and Planning Grants (relating to Inventory project)

John reported re new grants available from the MHC.

The 4 criteria for receiving funds are:

1. Completion of a cultural resource inventory
2. Nomination of significant properties to the registry of historic national monuments
3. Complete community-wide preservation plans
4. Other types of studies, reports and projects for the protection of significant historical properties

The Town has to match any received funds. CPA funds are a typical source for the match but DOR ruled last year that unlike other towns we can only use CPA funds for bricks-and-mortar projects. John will talk to Kayce to find other town funds. Inventory Project still on hold.

Two letters from MHC / Brona Simon

2 letters were received from Brona Simon(State Archeologist) related to proposed construction projects within the Town.

1st letter: Brona said that the Pocumtuck Ridge site for an AT&T tower would require an archaeological survey. Subject is moot because that area is not zoned for cell towers by the Town.

2nd letter: Eaglebrook School's request for an addition to the music and arts building was approved.

The necessity for a sensitivity map becomes more and more evident.

October is Archaeology Month

Next year we should plan something.

Unforeseen matters arising

Last Cemetery project

Received bill from Kai for the Old Albany Rd. Cemetery assessment and the repairs done in 8 cemeteries. Jane will follow up to approve his work.

St James Church

Henrietta spoke to the owner of the St James Church & they are prepared to let us in to record the building. The owner is Laurie Cuevas.

Our next meeting will be Monday Nov. 3 at 5:30pm.

John closed the meeting at 6:52 pm

Respectfully submitted by Jane Trigère, clerk